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Dressed in disguise, the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles stopped by the local pizza parlor for a snack one day As they were eating, a group of teenagers walked in

"It must be cool to be a *human* teenager," said Michaelangelo

"Yeah," said Leonardo "I bet going to school is great. You get to hang out with your friends all day "

"And play team sports," said Raphael.

"And ride in those mondo school buses!" added Donatello

When the turtles returned to the sewer, they told Splinter about their wishes "Will we ever be able to go to school?" Leonardo asked the rat. "Even for just one day?"

"Wisdom is not found only in books," said Splinter "Yet if you wish to go to school, then go you shall."

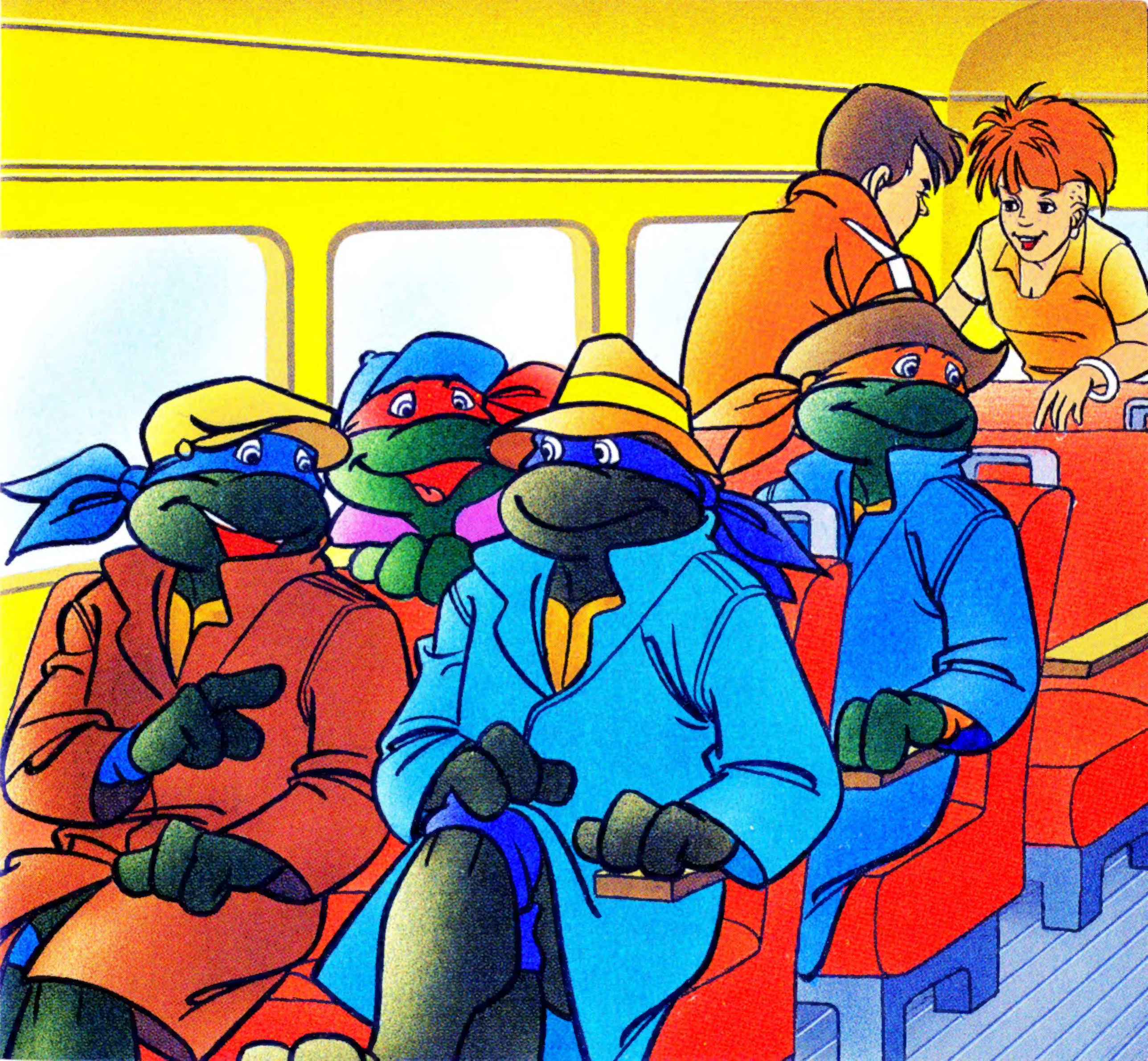
The next morning Splinter made each turtle a bag lunch and sent them off to the bus stop

The four turtles sat in the front of the school bus All the other kids sat in the back.

"I hope we didn't scare them away," said Michaelangelo

But the kids in the back were laughing and having fun And some of them looked even stranger than the turtles

"I don't know," said Leonardo "I think this is going to be easier than we thought!"



"Get to your homeroom, boys," said a hall monitor to the turtles when they arrived at the school.

The turtles headed for the closest classroom and sat down Luckily, the teacher didn't look up when he called the roll.

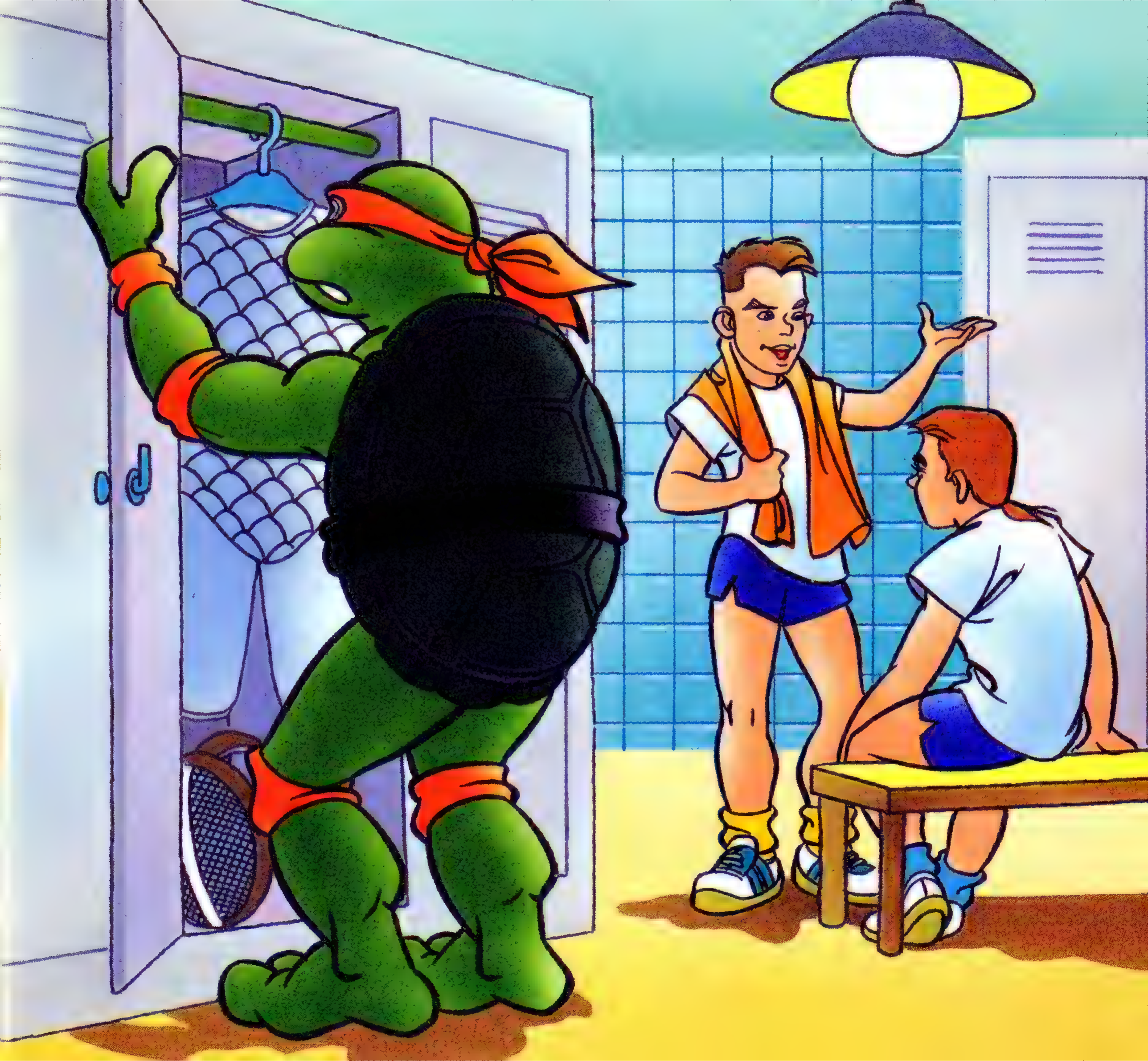
"Let's split up and go to whatever classes look interesting," said Leonardo

When the bell rang, the turtles disappeared into the crowd of students

"I could use some exercise," thought Raphael. "I'll check out a gym class."

In the locker room, boys were putting on shorts and T-shirts.

Raphael found a white shirt, pants, and a mask in a locker. He quickly changed his clothes.



"Fencing class meets over here!" a gym teacher called to Raphael as he left the locker room The teacher handed the turtle a foil.

"Fencing, huh?" said Raphael. "I think I'm going to like this!"

Leonardo wanted some *brain* exercise He sat in on an English class

The teacher read aloud a short story "For homework," he told the class, "I want you to write me a page about what you liked or did not like about this story"

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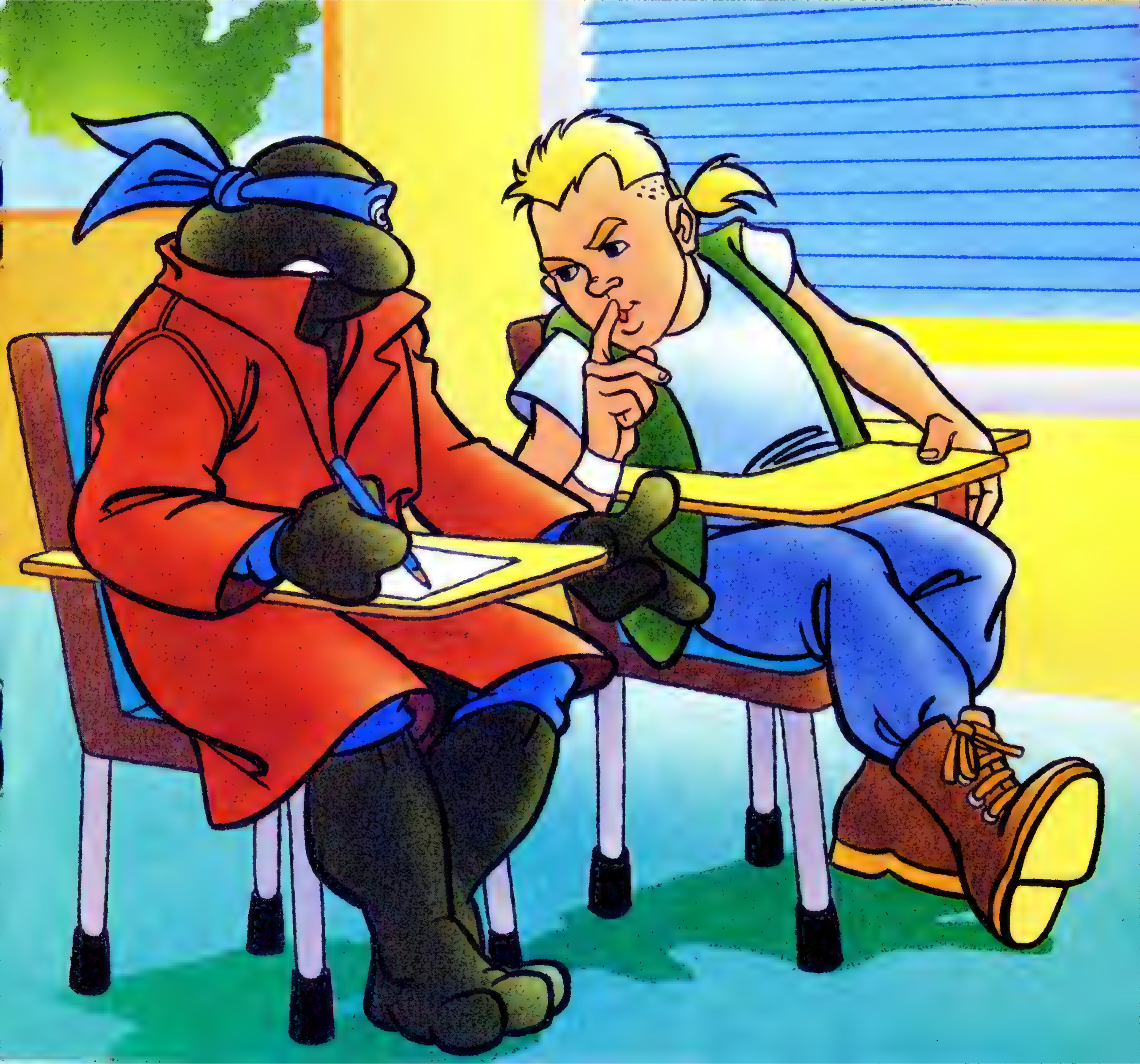
Leonardo liked to write, so he began doing his homework right away

The boy next to Leonardo tapped his shoulder "I can sell you that homework for three dollars," he whispered to Leonardo

"You can *what*?" asked Leonardo

"Shh," said the boy "Let's talk about it at lunch"



Donatello, meanwhile, was busy in Shop class making a birdhouse "We don't have many birds where I live," he said to the teacher "But if I make this door bigger, I could use it as a rat house "

The class laughed Soon Donatello was showing everyone how to motorize their skateboards

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At lunchtime the gym became a cafeteria Long tables were pulled down from the walls

"Yo, dude," said the boy from Leonardo's English class as he sat beside Leonardo "You want to buy some homework or what?"

"You want English homework, Spanish homework, math you name it, we got it," said the boy

"Where do you get this homework?" asked Leonardo

"We buy it from kids who graduated the year before What do you care?" asked the boy

Leonardo stood up "What do *I* care? I care because it's wrong!" In an instant the boy's "Homework Gang" surrounded him

"Get him, guys!" yelled their leader Leonardo jumped onto the table and took off his trench coat.

"Wicked-looking dude, man!" someone shouted

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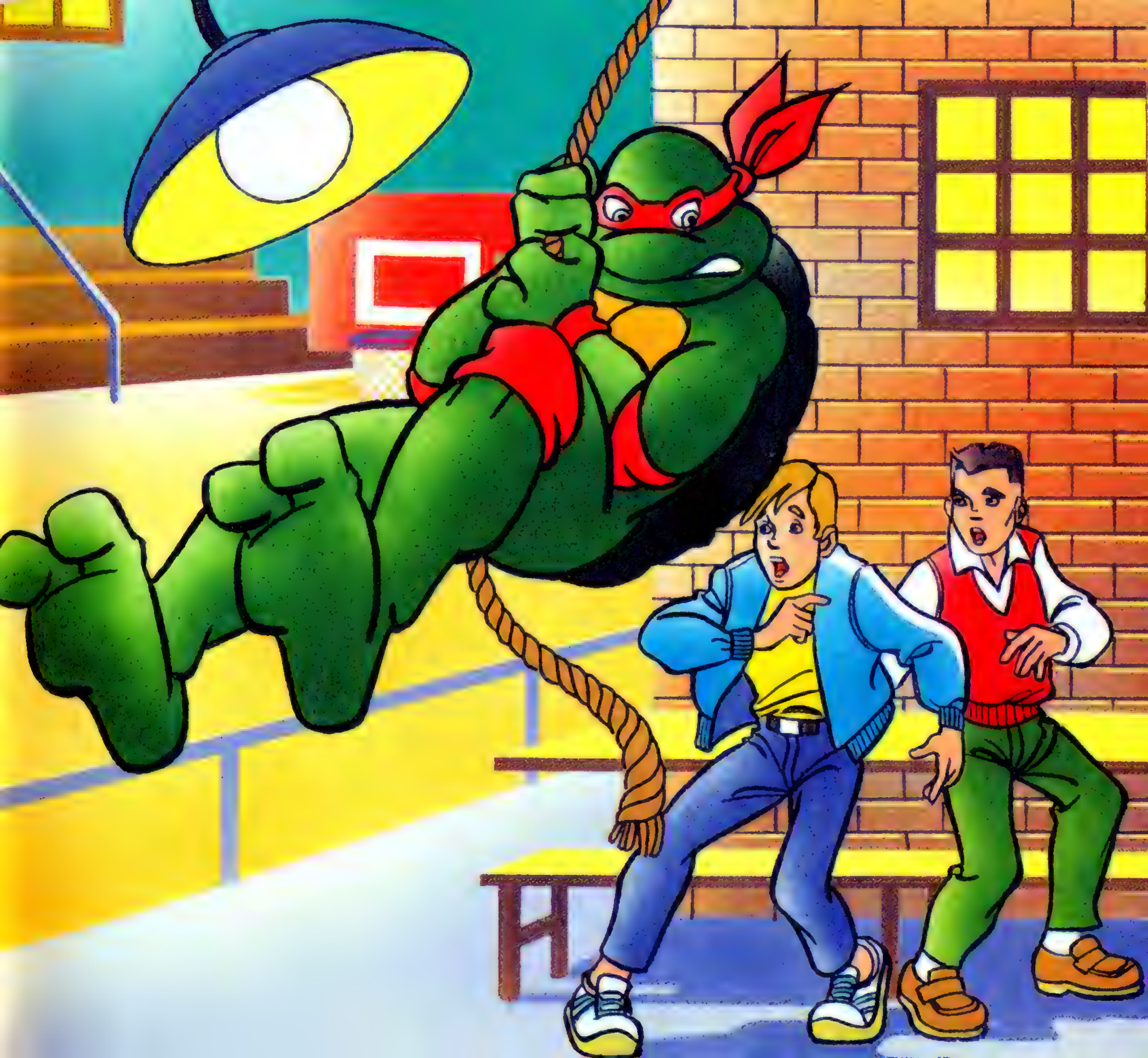
Everybody looked up as Raphael came suddenly swinging across the cafeteria on a climbing rope.



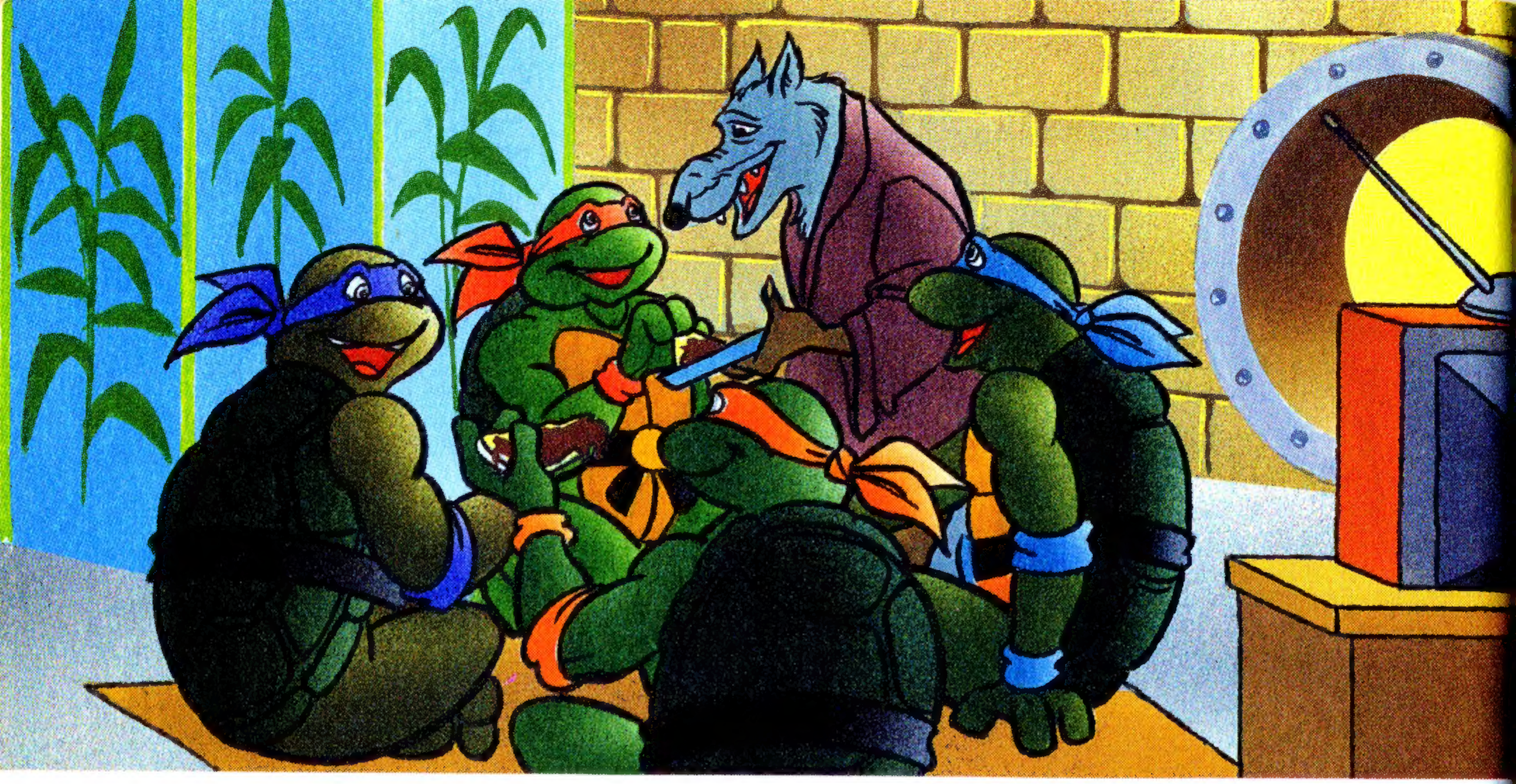
"Did I hear you offer to sell some *homework*?" said Donatello to the gang leader, coming out from under the table "Maybe I'd better play back this tape recording and listen again."

"Let's get out of here!" yelled the boy "These turtle dudes are going to ruin us!"

But the exit to the cafeteria was blocked Michaelangelo and his Home Economics class stood at the door The turtle was holding a pot of melted chocolate

"Take another step, dudes, and you're bonbons!" said Michaelangelo

The Homework Gang was taken to the principal's office And the turtles returned to the sewer.



"So, my sons," Splinter said to the turtles, "what lessons did you learn from your day in school?"

"How to fence," said Raphael.

"How *not* to cheat," said Leonardo

"How to build a rat house," said Donatello.

"And pizza is, like, totally radical dipped in chocolate!" said Michaelangelo

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